

Jaffa  
Altoona, Pa.

December 10, 1914.

# Ancient Arabic Order

OF THE

## Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

### JAFFA TEMPLE

ALTOONA -- PENNSYLVANIA

Illustrious Noble, Attend !

Fifth Day  
First Month

**Nahar el Khamis**

HEJIRA  
1333

Corresponding to **THURSDAY, December 10, 1914**

2.30 O'CLOCK P. M.

## BUSINESS CEREMONIAL AND ANNUAL SESSION

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Solemn  
Chantings

Pathway  
of Devotees

In Commemoration of

**Moolid of Seyyid Ibrahim ed Dessouki**

Sacrifices by Pilgrims at Mecca

REALISTIC REPRESENTATIONS

Grand  
Receptions

Circuit of  
the Kaaba



**TRADITIONAL FEAST**

**WINE**  
Cut Out  
by Censor

WILSON A. TURNER,  
Recorder

A. LINCOLN FELTWELL,  
Potentate



## Oh Ye True Sons of the Desert

**T**HE cries and lamentations of the poor unregenerates who are wandering over the surrounding wastes, and are seeking after Light, Wisdown and Knowledge, but know not the way, has so impressed your

### Illustrious Potentate

that in the goodness of his heart, and his sincere desire to promote their welfare he issues this decree.

That you separate yourselves from the toil, bustle and strife of daily life and assemble under the protecting dome of our beautiful Mosque on

### Thursday, December 10th,

bringing with you many of these poor and erring ones who have missed the bright pathway of life, but who, under your guidance, teaching and pleading have expressed a desire to lead a new, better and cleaner life, have delivered up the necessary FIFTY and wish to partake of the ecstatic joys and the unutterable pleasures in acting as servants unto those of the true faith, on their pilgrimage to the sacred city of Mecca, and, if their conduct and deportment be such as to win our confidence and esteem, and they have endured the Moslem test without murmuring or flinching, they will be given the glad hand and duly welcomed as a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.



Don't forget that good friend of yours. We want him in the Shrine. Tell him the water's fine, come on in.

To come while his back has vigor to spread,  
Don't wait till it all goes in his head.  
Get all he can here of mirth and laughter—  
For the Lord only knows what he'll get hereafter.



**ALBERT LINCOLN FELTWELL**  
Illustrious Potentate

## Potentate's Grind

My Dear Nobles:—

We are approaching the last Ceremonial of my second year as your Potentate. How time does fly, as I look back over the achievements of these two years, and compare the good with the bad, the joys with the sorrows, I conclude that the Great Allah has wonderfully favored our beloved order. There have been many little trials to endure or overcome, many vexations of spirit, which were more than overcome by the good fellowship of the finest bunch of Nobles in the world. Your Potentate wishes to acknowledge that he has made mistakes, but when they were made they were mistakes of the head and not of the heart, and with a very few exceptions he has been encouraged and greatly aided in his work by the Nobility, for all of which I heartily thank you.

### Coudersport Pilgrimage.

On July 16th Jaffa Temple journeyed to Coudersport, Pa., to hold a Special Ceremonial Session there on the 17th. We went with a special train more than 200 strong. We were met at the station by our Illustrious Noble and very dear friend, Walton K. Swetland, and his Committee of Entertainment. To say that we were royally entertained does not express what we felt. The little city was given over to us, the Scottish Rite Cathedral threw wide their doors to us, the hotels and many of their private homes took us in, and as I look back over our visit to Coudersport my heart is overflowing with gratitude to the good Shriners and good people of that bustling little city of the north. We had the great pleasure of having with us our Illustrious Imperial Potentate Frederick R. Smith (may Allah bless him) and his beloved wife, accompanied by Noble W. C. Gilbert and wife, from Damascus Temple, Rochester, N. Y.

Our Ceremonial Work was put on in the Coudersport Theatre, and while somewhat hampered for room, everything went with a hum, and we succeeded in putting 61 of the Unregenerates over the Hot Sands and welcoming them as Nobles.

Our return trip early next morning was rather a sleepy affair, but I feel, as I believe all the boys did, that it was a great pilgrimage and one we would all like to repeat.

The Pilgrimage of our Officers, Band and Patrol to Atlantic City, N. J., where we were the guests of Crescent Temple, will long be remembered as one of the bright spots in Jaffa's career, and to Crescent Temple and Peter the Great, their beloved Potentate, we wish to express our hearty appreciation for all the kind and thoughtful things he done for us, while his guests, and to extend to him and the Nobility of

Crescent Temple a most cordial invitation to visit Jaffa and give us a chance to show them some of our hospitality.

Our membership now numbers 1,434—275 of these have been created Nobles during my tenure of office. My ambition is to see this number increased to an even 1,500 at this Ceremonial. It can be done if we all pull together. Let us go after it; let us look them over and make our selections. But right here I wish to repeat the warning I have given you on former occasions, viz: It is not quantity we want, it is quality. We want men, Real Men. Men whom we will feel honored to meet in the daily walks of life—men whom we will be glad to call Nobles. When you have found such a man give him a petition and bring him in. Never forget for a moment that we are builders of the greatest Fraternity the world has ever seen, and we must take heed that we select our foundation out of the right material. By so doing the future generations will call us blessed and be proud of us.

Our next Imperial Council will meet at Seattle, Washington, next July. At this meeting we will elect four Nobles to represent Jaffa Temple. This is a matter of great importance to our Temple, as well as an honor to the ones elected. Let us make no mistakes in our selection. We have hundreds of good and worthy Nobles to select from. Let us try to make selections that will be an honor to our Temple and who will be real representative men.

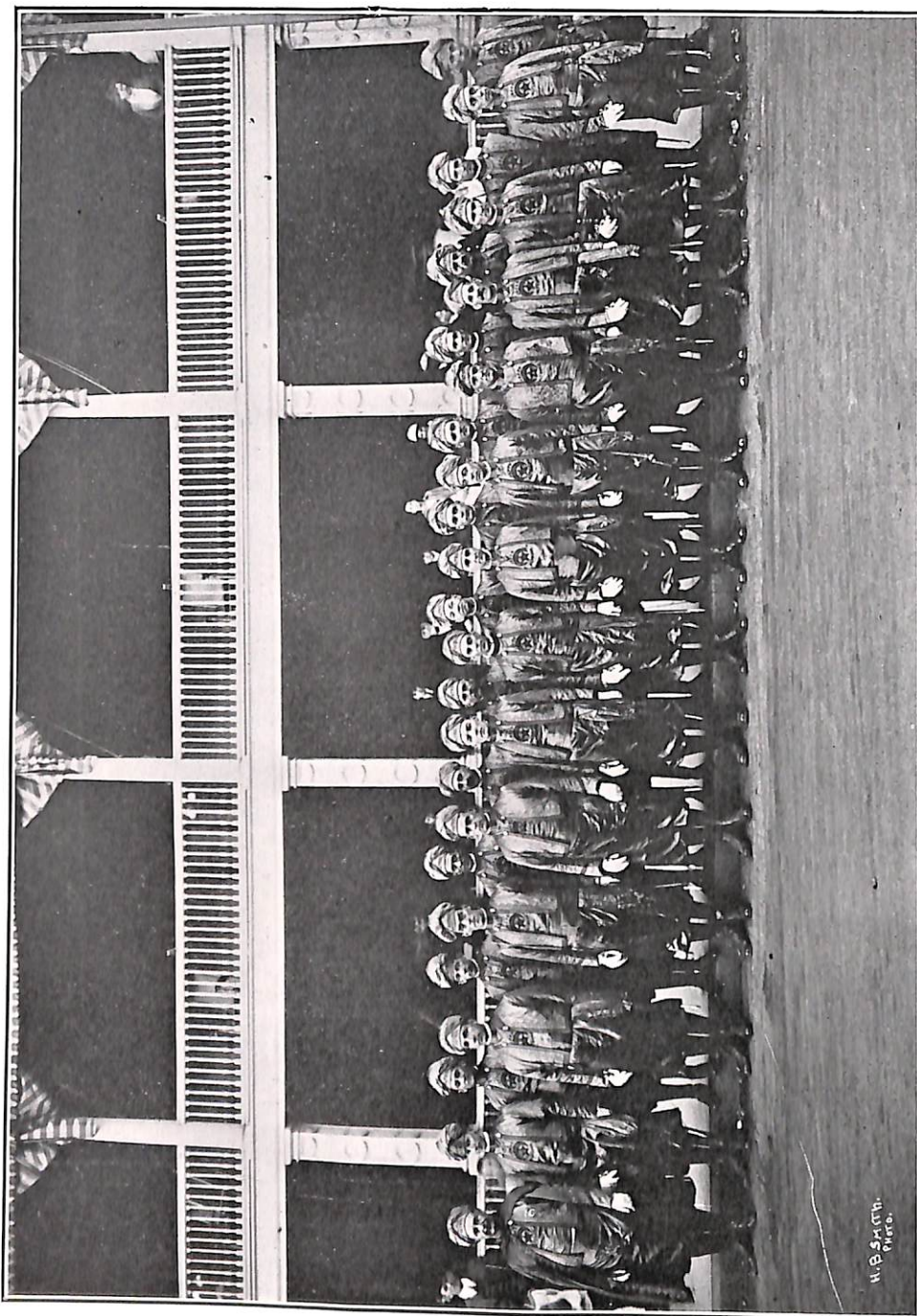
Yours in the Faith,

A. LINCOLN FELTWELL,  
Potentate.



"If you meet a fallen 'feller,'  
Help him up;  
If he's tired, sore and hungry,  
Let him sup;  
Even if he's good for nothing,  
And to you is only 'bluffing,'  
You have something, he has nothing,  
Help him up."





JAFFA TEMPLE PATROL

## Business Session

**2.30 P. M.**

Petitions will be received and acted upon.

Petitions must be in the Recorder's hands not later than 2.30 o'clock P. M. The Potentate will open the Temple promptly on time.

Recommenders will please have all Novices at Jaffa Temple not later than 3.15 o'clock P. M.

### DUES

Action will be taken at this Session on all members owing two or more years dues, in accordance with Article V, Section 2, of the By-Laws.

You will need your blue and white 1914 card to gain admission. Positively no one admitted without it.

Visitors with proper credentials are always welcome in Jaffa Temple.

**1500**

Nobles, our present membership is 1,434, and we want to increase it to 1,500 by the end of the present year, and as there are a large number of good and live Knights Templar and 32nd degree Masons in our jurisdiction who are eligible to become members of Jaffa, let us all put forth a little effort and secure their petitions and make this one of Jaffa's banner years. WILL YOU BE ONE TO HELP?

## Ceremonial Session

**3.30 P. M.**

**Banquet, 6.00 P. M.**

Annual election of Officers after the Banquet.

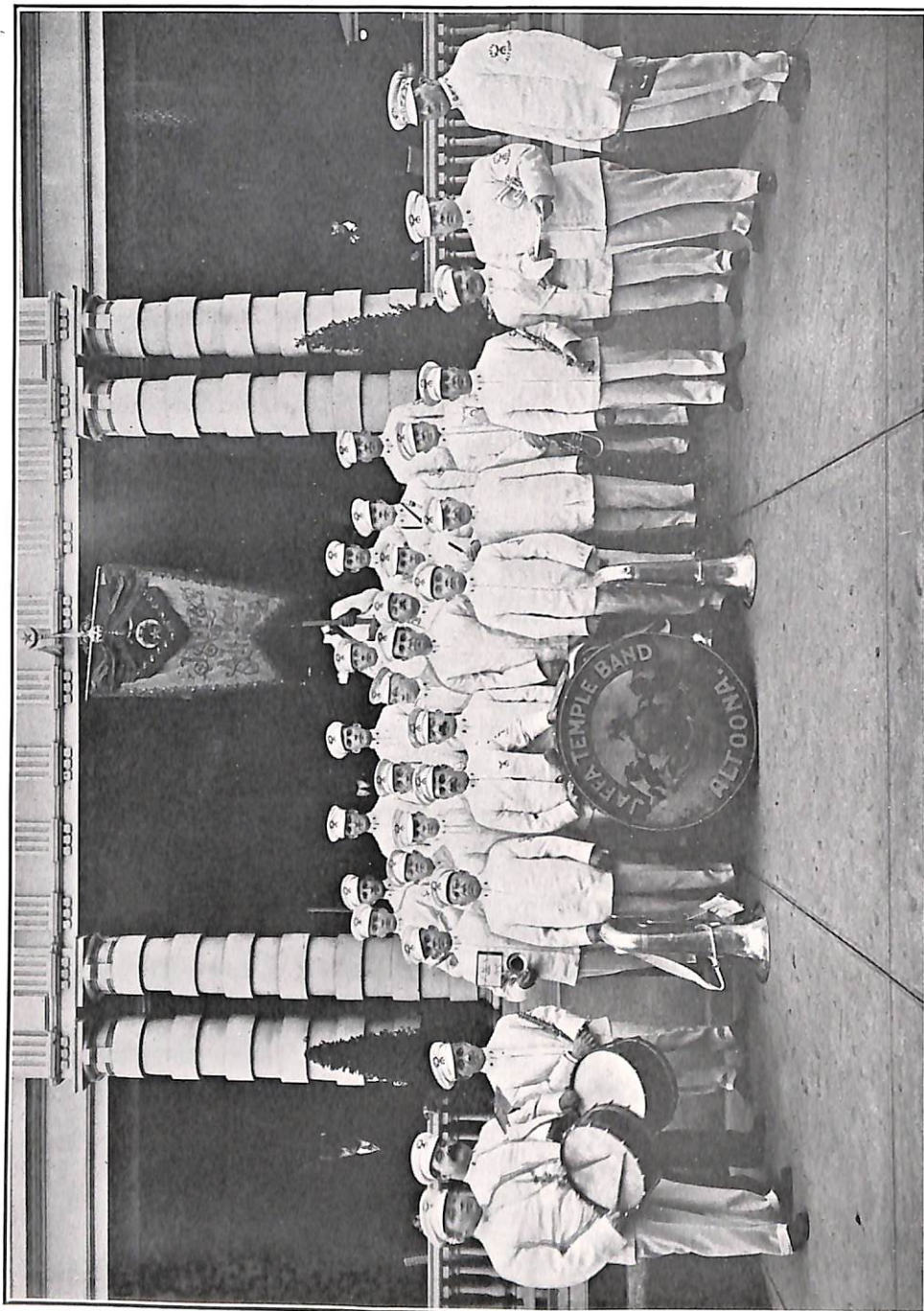
Installation of Officers immediately after election.



My doctern is to lay aside  
Contentions, and be satisfied:  
Jest do your best, and praise er blame  
That follers that, counts jest the same  
I've allus noticed grate success  
Is mixed with troubles, more or less,  
And it's the man who does the best  
That gits more kicks than all the rest.

—James Whitcomb Riley.





JAFFA TEMPLE BAND

## Hints to the Novices



The frost is on the pumpkin  
And the corn is in the shock.  
We have folded our mosquito nets,  
Got our flannels out of "hock."  
The air is crisp and bracing  
And with glee our spirits swell,  
For the Novices are at our gates  
And we're going to give them—  
Well, Well, Well!

Don't depend on your past reputation; forget it.  
One touch of rumor makes the whole world chin.  
A stiff bone is a good thing to have in your back, but not in your head.

Grasping an opportunity may be a good thing, but holding on is better.

Don't worry if they should be a little late calling for you—they will come soon enough.

There is no objection to your getting scared—and no question about your getting scared.

If joining the Shrine doesn't make you happy, it will at least cause you to forget your other miseries.

Obeys orders. A Novice who attends to his own business has a good, steady job, particularly during the Ceremony.

Make no engagements for the future until you get through with this one.

### Acrostic of the Shrine

(From the Crescent.)

Smile on, and always keep smiling. It helps you and other chaps, too.  
Hope on, and always keep hoping, for others as well as for you.  
Real life is helping to do things, to comfort and cheer those in need,  
In spreading abroad glad sunshine, and being the true friend in deed.  
Nobility has for its motto: "To help and to aid is divine,"  
Each son of the desert upholds it. Yes, Masonry's smile is the Shrine.



**NOBLE ALBERT S. BROWN**

Osceola Mills, Pa.

Charter Class

Created October 3d, 1903

Died August 12th, 1914

**NOBLE GEORGE L. MILLER**

Westport, Pa.

Created July 17th, 1914

Died August 12th, 1914

**NOBLE GEORGE D. BUFFINGTON**

Brookville, Pa.

Created May 4th, 1904

Died August 27th, 1914

**NOBLE JOHN M. STONEBRAKER**

Altoona, Pa.

Created July 5th, 1904

Died September 7th, 1914

**NOBLE BENJAMIN F. WENDELL**

Johnstown, Pa.

Created July 5th, 1904

Died November 18th, 1914

"Beautiful life is that whose span  
Is spent in duty to God and man.

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Beautiful calm when the course is run,  
Beautiful twilight at set of sun;  
Beautiful death with a life well done."

**Official Divan, 1914**

A. Lincoln Feltwell.....	Illustrious Potentate
Samuel A. Martin.....	Chief Rabban
Harry B. Hershey.....	Assistant Rabban
William J. Smith.....	High Priest and Prophet
S. Edward Gearhart.....	Oriental Guide
Robert C. Wilson.....	Treasurer
Wilson A. Turner.....	Recorder
George W. Winter.....	First Ceremonial Master
Samuel C. Walker.....	Second Ceremonial Master
McClellan Wilson.....	Marshal
John J. McMurray.....	Captain of Guard
Edwin G. Geesey.....	Outer Guard
James C. Mathers.....	Assistant Outer Guard
Stephen K. Harkness.....	Director
William J. Beam.....	Assistant Director
Chester A. Anderson.....	Assistant Director
Charles R. Gonsman.....	Assistant Director
Scott H. Steele.....	Assistant Director
Adam H. Ulrich.....	Assistant Director
Harry E. Long.....	Captain of Patrol
Charles W. Renner.....	Director of Jaffa Temple Band
George R. McCormick.....	Electrician
Louis D. Heess.....	Assistant Electrician
L. Walter Davis.....	Assistant Electrician
William H. Wolfe.....	Alchemist
Edward H. Breisacher.....	Master of Robes
George McC. Bilger.....	Poet Laureate
Proctor T. Miller.....	Official Knocker
David A. Little.....	Pyramid Inspector

**Trustees**

James E. Smith	William W. Blake	Miles R. Keesey
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**Executive Committee**

A. Lincoln Feltwell	Samuel A. Martin	Harry B. Hershey
James G. Humer	Herbert D. Williams	

**Representatives**

A. Lincoln Feltwell	John W. Bailey	Charles E. Maloy
	Walton K. Swetland	

**Past Potentates**

George F. Jackson	William W. Rudisill	Wilbur A. Rice
Charles T. Derick	Andrew S. Stayer	George E. Hamilton
John Henry Lape	William G. Breisacher	John C. Schomberg

**Stewards**

George F. Beaver	Joseph M. Howe	S. Grant Steel
George B. Lamm		Lester C. Smith
William G. Morgan		William D. Davis

## Committeemen

The following Nobles constitute our Home and Out-of-Town Committee. Your Potentate has added to their well known duties an extra duty, as well as pleasure; that is, he wants each member of this Committee to be at Jaffa Temple on all Ceremonial occasions, and act as a Reception Committee, to extend the glad hand of welcome to all the Nobles upon their arrival, especially those from a distance:

William L. Longenecker.....	Altoona	Plymouth W. Snyder.....	Hollidaysburg
James G. Humer.....	Altoona	Thomas J. Hemphill.....	Hollidaysburg
Herbert D. Williams.....	Altoona	John T. Foulke.....	Houtzdale
Joseph Burgart.....	Altoona	Edwin McD. Painter.....	Hopewell
James B. Mitchell.....	Austin	John P. Weber.....	Howard
James H. Allport.....	Barnesboro	Howard C. Frontz.....	Huntingdon
Alvin L. Little.....	Bedford	Josiah C. Hall.....	Huntingdon
Walter F. Enfield.....	Bedford	William S. Hamilton.....	Indiana
George E. VanBrunt.....	Bellwood	Curtis G. Campbell.....	Johnstown
Donald M. Kimmel.....	Berlin	William H. Strauss.....	Johnstown
George T. Bush.....	Bellefonte	Allison H. Evy.....	Lewistown
W. Harrison Walker.....	Bellefonte	John R. Stevenson.....	Lock Haven
Henry J. Scott.....	Brookville	Joseph M. Grube.....	Lindsey
Byron M. Moore.....	Brookville	Charles P. Large.....	Meyersdale
John Gould.....	Brisbin	J. Walter Barr.....	Nanty Glo
William B. Hammond.....	Bolivar	William H. Denlinger.....	Patton
Forrest L. Ferrell.....	Boswell	James P. Spackman.....	Peale
Robert A. Bantle.....	Burnham	Francis W. Archey.....	Penna. Furnace
William J. Buhr.....	Conemaugh	John S. Miller.....	Petersburg
Pearl T. Davis.....	Clearfield	Harry D. Rumberger.....	Philipsburg
O. Bruce Porter.....	Clearfield	W. Howard Sergeant.....	Philipsburg
George H. Jaquish.....	Clymer	Thomas M. Pringle.....	Portage
Conrad Wendroth.....	Cresson	John H. Fink.....	Punxsutawney
Walter C. Perry.....	Chest Springs	Thomas McMillen.....	Punxsutawney
George L. Benner.....	Curwensville	Arthur P. Pfoutz.....	Renovo
Walton K. Swetland.....	Coudersport	Charles B. Swenson.....	Renovo
Isaac C. Hess.....	Duncansville	Joseph H. Lepsch.....	Ridgway
Joseph S. Johnson.....	Driftwood	William Lauder.....	Riddlesburg
John W. Bailey.....	DuBois	William A. Nason.....	Roaring Spring
William G. Brown.....	DuBois	John H. Kaucher.....	Reynoldsville
Raymond R. Fider.....	East Sharpsburg	Ira S. Smith.....	Reynoldsville
S. Stewart Kinkead.....	Ebensburg	Thomas C. Fulton.....	Saxton
Emory H. Davis.....	Ebensburg	Samuel B. Stoler.....	Saxton
C. Jay Goodnough.....	Emporium	Aaron C. Holbert.....	Somerset
Walter DeG. Parsons.....	Emporium	Clyde A. Fitzgerald.....	South Fork
Harry W. Bender.....	Everett	John G. Broad.....	South Fork
John C. Dingwall.....	Expedit	Milton S. McDowell.....	State College
Howard E. Holtsworth.....	Fleming	William H. Straub.....	St. Marys
Thomas D. Dingwall.....	Gallitzin	Thadeus Stine.....	Tyrone
Jonathan Currier.....	Grampian	Jonathan McW. Goheen.....	Tyrone
Joseph O. Clark.....	Glen Campbell	Frank K. Mattern.....	Warriors Mark
Henry J. VanDusen.....	Hastings	Albert G. Bantley.....	Windber
Ralph F. McHenry.....	Heilwood	David M. Thompson.....	Williamsburg